SENATE FINANCE, WAYS, AND MEANS COMMITTEE AMENDMENT Amendment No. 3 to SB2569

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, is amended by adding the following language as a new section in part 2:

Section ____ (a) Real and personal property used as a nonprofit family wellness center shall be exempt from property taxes as a charitable use of property if the center is owned and operated as provided in this section. "Family wellness center" means real and personal property used to provide physical exercise opportunities for children and adults. The property must be owned by a nonprofit corporation that is a charitable institution which (1) has as its historic sole purpose the provision of programs promoting physical, mental, and spiritual health, on a holistic basis without emphasizing one over another; (2) provides at least five (5) of the eight (8) following programs dedicated to the improvement of conditions in the community and to support for families: day care programs for preschool and school-aged children; team sports opportunities for youth and teens; leadership development for youth, teens, and adults; services for at-risk youth and teens; summer programs for at-risk and non-at-risk youth and teens; outreach and exercise programs for seniors; aquatic programs for all ages and skill levels; and services for disabled children and adults; and (3) provides all programs and services to those of all ages, incomes and abilities under a fee structure which reasonably accommodates persons of limited means and therefore ensures that ability to pay is not a consideration. The corporation must further meet the requirements of subsection (b).

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- (b) To qualify for exemption, the nonprofit corporation must first be exempt from federal income taxation as an exempt charitable organization under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (U.S.C., title 26) and any amendments thereto. In addition, the nonprofit corporation shall provide that:
 - The directors and officers shall serve without compensation beyond reasonable compensation for services performed;
 - (2) The corporation is dedicated to and operated exclusively for nonprofit purposes;
 - (3) No part of the income or the assets of the corporation shall be distributed to inure to the benefit of any individual;
 - (4) Upon liquidation or dissolution, all assets remaining after payment of the corporation's debts shall be conveyed or distributed only in accordance with the requirements applicable to a 501(c)(3) corporation.
- (c) All claims for exemptions under this section are subject to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-212(b).
- (d) Nothing in this section shall prevent property of the corporation other than wellness centers from qualifying under other provisions of law.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to all matters pending before the Board of Equalization on the effective date of this act.